THE MINISTER OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI ARUN JAITLEY): (a) to (d) the information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Simultaneous elections of Lok Sabha and State Assemblies

102. DR. ABRAR AHMED:
SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI:

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any suggestions for holding simultaneous elections to the Lok Sabha and the State Assemblies every five years; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI ARUN JAITLEY): (a) and (b) The Law Commission of India in its 170th Report on 'Reform of Electoral Laws' which has already been laid on the Table of Rajya Sabha on October 28,1999, has stated that desired goal of one election to the Lok Sabha and the State Assemblies in every five years cannot be achieved overnight. It has to be achieved in stages. The National Commission to Review the Working of the Constitution also took up the matter but did not give any specific recommendation on the subject.

Circuit Bench of Rajasthan High Court of Kota

103. SHRI AIMADUDDIN AHMED KHAN (DURRU):.Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been a forceful agitation relating to establishment of a circuit Bench of Rajasthan High Court at Kota;

(b) if so, the demands made in the agitation;

(c) since when the agitation is going on; and

(d) the steps contemplated by Government to redress the grievances?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI ARUN JAITLEY):(a) to (c) Government is not aware of any agitation for setting up of a Circuit